

## **Minutes of the Bloomington Township Board**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on February 9, 2017, at 2111 W. Fountain Drive.

Board members present were Barbara McKinney, Vic Kelson, and Kim Alexander. Also present were Trustee Lillian Henegar, Fire Chief Joel Bomgardner, and Deputy Trustee Lisa Myers.

### **AGENDA**

Barbara moved to accept the agenda as presented. Kim seconded, motion passed unanimously.

### **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Barbara moved to accept the minutes of the January 3, 2017, board meeting as presented. Kim seconded, motion passed unanimously.

### **OLD BUSINESS - None**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Annual Financial Report:** Lillian and Lisa presented the 2016 Annual Report for Bloomington Township, which every local government unit in Indiana is required to submit electronically on Gateway. A financial report for the previous year, it includes the "TA-7" a township assistance statistical report. Following discussion, Kim moved to approve the 2016 Annual Report. Barbara seconded, motion passed unanimously. The Annual Report was signed by the Trustee and Board. The information will be published in the Herald Times on Tuesday, February 21.

**Temporary Loan:** Lisa explained the need to transfer funds from the Rainy Day Fund into the Fire Territory General Fund. This transfer is made each spring to ensure we can meet payroll until the June settlement is received. Due to the increase in personnel, a transfer of \$220,000 is being requested. A transfer of this amount will leave a balance of \$32,958 in the Rainy Day Fund. Barbara moved to approve the Transfer Resolution. Kim seconded, motion passed unanimously.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

### **REPORTS**

**Fire Territory Executive Committee:** It was reported that Cook Group has decided against the option of a design/build/lease for the new Washington Township fire station. We are still negotiating with Cook on acquiring the land on Simpson Chapel Road.

Preparations are occurring to start the bidding process to order a new rescue/pumper truck for Station 15 that will eventually be placed in service in Washington Township.

**Trustee:** The 1782 notice has been received. An error was made on the rate and budget amount for the Equipment Replacement Fund. Corrections were made to the 1782 as directed by our budget representative, Ryan Burke, and it was signed and submitted.

Lillian, Lisa, and Joel attended a meeting on February 8 regarding the City of Bloomington's annexation plan. Copies of the annexation maps were distributed to the members of the Board.

Van Buren Township has asked about the possibility of joining the Northern Monroe Fire Territory. Options were discussed and the conversation was tabled until more information is available regarding the planned annexations.

**Board:** Vic raised the topic of creating a plan for the physical plant of the Township office, including the possibilities of replacing the office building and eliminating Rosie's Place. Operations have outgrown the limitations of the current facility, and there are multiples issues regarding efficiency, accessibility, and ADA compliance. It was decided that we need to determine our mission and what is needed to accomplish the mission. Kim volunteered to work with staff in creating a mission plan and then moving forward.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:33 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 9, 2017.

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Kim Alexander, Secretary